

Intimation.

Powell's
ALEXANDRA
BUILDINGS.SMART
Tweed
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Cloth
Costumes.Serviceable
Jackets,
from \$11.50 each.Golf
Jerseys,
In great variety,
from \$4.50 each.Dainty
Undershirts.Laces,
Ribbons,
Corsets,
Gloves,Underwear,
Hosiery,
Shoes,
&c., &c., &c.PARISIAN
MILLINERY
at
Moderate Prices.POWELL'S
ALEXANDRA
BUILDINGS.

Hongkong, 29th November, 1908.

Public Companies.

THE DAIRY FARM COMPANY,
LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that an EXTRA-ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the above-named Company will be held at the Company's Office, No. 2, Lower Albert Road, Victoria, Hongkong, TO-MORROW, the 1st day of December, 1908, at 12.30 o'clock in the afternoon, when the following resolutions, which were passed at the Extraordinary General Meeting of the Company held on the 17th day of November, 1908, will be submitted for confirmation as Special Resolutions.

1. That the Capital of the Company be increased by the sum of \$125,000 divided into 15,000 shares of \$8.33 each and that the Directors be authorized to allot such shares pro-rata among the existing shareholders according to the number of shares in respect of which they may, on the 17th day of October, 1908, be registered, in the proportion of three new shares for each complete lot of five shares held by them on that date and that any of such new shares remaining over after such allotment shall be dealt with by the Directors in their discretion.

2. That the Articles of Association of the Company be altered by deleting paragraph 2 of Article IX and by substituting therefor the following paragraph:—

"2. The Register, or Registers, of shareholders and the Register of Transfers may be closed for such period or periods and at such time or times as the Directors may think fit but the period or periods of such closure shall not exceed in the whole 30 days in any one year."

By Order of the Board of Directors,
S. A. SETH,
Secretary.

Hongkong, 30th November, 1908. [1013]

THE DAIRY FARM COMPANY,
LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that an EXTRA-ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the above-named Company will be held at the Company's Office, No. 2, Lower Albert Road, Victoria, Hongkong, TO-MORROW, the 1st day of December, 1908, at 12.30 o'clock in the afternoon, for the purpose of considering and, if thought fit passing the following Extraordinary Resolution:—

"That the Directors be authorized to declare a bonus or dividend out of the Reserve and Cattle Reserve Funds or out of the accumulated profits of the Company sufficient to pay a call of \$5.00 per share upon the New Capital already authorized to be raised by Special Resolution and that such bonus or dividend be appropriated for the purpose of paying such call."

By Order,
S. A. SETH,
Secretary.

Hongkong, 31st November, 1908. [1014]

A. S. WATSON & CO., LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

AN INTERIM DIVIDEND on Account of the year 1908, of Thirty Cents per share, will be payable at the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank, Hongkong, on and after FRIDAY, 27th November, 1908, on Warrants to be obtained at the Company's Office.

The Dividend will also be payable at the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank, Shanghai, on and after the same date.

The REGISTER OF SHARES will be CLOSED from TUESDAY, the 24th instant, until MONDAY, the 31st instant, both days inclusive, during which period no Transfer of Shares will be effected.

JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON,
General Managers.
Hongkong, 17th November, 1908. [597]

HARBOUR MASTER'S DEPARTMENT.

No. 859.

IT is hereby notified that information has been received from the Military Authorities that GUN PRACTICE will be carried out as under:—

The practice notified in Government Notification No. 825 for the 30th November is hereby cancelled.

On TUESDAY, the 1st December:—

From Pakshawan in a North-Easterly direction, at ranges up to 6,000 yards, commencing at 6.30 P.M., and finishing at 10 P.M.

On WEDNESDAY, the 2nd December:—

From Saiwan in a North-Easterly direction, at ranges up to 6,000 yards, commencing at 3.30 P.M., and finishing at 6.30 P.M.

On THURSDAY, the 3rd December:—

From Stonecutters (West) in a North-Westerly direction, at ranges up to 6,000 yards, commencing at 9.30 A.M., and finishing at 12 Noon.

From Stonecutters in a North-Westerly direction, at ranges up to 6,000 yards, commencing at 6.30 P.M., and finishing at 10 P.M.

On FRIDAY, the 4th December:—

From L. Belchers in a Westerly direction, at ranges up to 8,000 yards, commencing at 9.30 A.M., and finishing at 12 Noon.

On MONDAY, the 7th December:—

From Central in a South-Westerly direction, at ranges up to 10,000 yards, commencing at 10 A.M., and finishing at 12 Noon.

From Albin in a North-Westerly direction, at ranges up to 6,000 yards, commencing at 6.30 P.M., and finishing at 10 P.M.

On WEDNESDAY, the 9th December:—

From L. Belchers in a North-Westerly direction, at ranges up to 8,000 yards, commencing at 9.30 A.M., and finishing at 12 Noon.

From Stonecutters (East) in a Westerly direction, at ranges up to 10,000 yards, commencing at 11.30 A.M., and finishing at 1 P.M.

On THURSDAY, the 10th December:—

From Stonecutters (Central) in a North-Westerly direction, at ranges up to 6,000 yards, commencing at 6.30 P.M., and finishing at 10 P.M.

If the weather is unfavourable on any of the above dates, practice will take place on the following day.

All ships, junks and other vessels are to keep clear of the ranges.

C. W. BECKWITH, Lieutenant, R.N.,
Harbour Master, &c.

Hongkong, 28th November, 1908. [1017]

IMPERIAL DECREES.

(By Telegraph from Peking,
Specially translated for the North-China
Daily News.

November 20.

(1) For over forty years the late Empress Grand Dowager dropped the curtain and administered the Government. (Her Majesty's act of regency is always described by the expression Ch'ui Lien T'ing Cheng literally, "To drop the curtain and administer the Government," as the Ministers' eyes might not gaze on her Majesty's face.) Her Majesty applied herself with zeal to the toilsome performance of Her duty. In order to express Our grief that fill Our mind, the funeral obsequies of her late Majesty should be elaborately arranged, so the Ministry of Rites is hereby ordered to re-arrange the obsequies and make report to Us thereon.

(2) A site for the construction of the late Empress Grand Dowager's Mausoleum has been selected at the "Eastern Hill" (known as Tung Ling).

(3) Whereas on the 22nd of this month (November 14) a Decree in the name of the late Empress Grand Dowager was issued commending the Regent to take up the reins of government on Our behalf, the official and the people throughout the Empire are hereby ordered to comply with his orders. From henceforth any neglecting or refusing to obey the commands of the Regent must be punished.

(4) The death of the Empress Grand Dowager Tse Hsi, following so closely that of the Emperor Kuang Hsi has filled the nation with sorrow, but the country has passed through the dynastic changes peacefully and the various Treaty Powers have also expressed their sympathy with the losses which the nation has sustained, thus strengthening their relations with China. There are, however, evil characters seeking to spread insidious rumours, in order to create trouble and disturb the peace. It is feared that, unless drastic measures are immediately taken, the tranquillity of the country will be affected. Consequently, We hereby order the Ministry of the Interior, the General Commandant of the Peking Gendarmerie, the Governor of Peking, the Viceroy, Governors and their subordinates to take special precautions against such rebels. Rewards are promised to all officials arresting rebels or suppressing risings. All rebels arrested are to be decapitated at once.

November 21.

(1) We have received a memorial from Our Ministers stating that to mourn for his late Majesty, Emperor Kuang Hsi, for twenty-seven months will give rise to innumerable difficulties in the administration of the Government, and praying that the robes of mourning be laid aside at the end of one hundred days. To comply with the request of the Ministers Our feelings will not consent and We shall observe

A SOCIETY LADY'S EXPERIENCE
AT COURT.

"I THOUGHT I WOULD HAVE
Fainted!"
HER STATE OF ACUTE ANÆMIA
CURED BY
Dr. Williams' Pink Pills.

Every gentlewoman in society regards the occasion of her attending at Court as one of the most pleasurable yet nerve-racking occasions in her career. An interesting description of the ordeal was kindly given by Miss Theresa Sheridan a few days ago, when referred to her attendance at Court. Miss Sheridan is well-known as the daughter of the late Henry Brinsley Sheridan, M.P. for Dudley for many years, whose name is revered by all smokers, he being instrumental in securing the privilege they now enjoy of smoking compartments on all railway trains.

"When she kindly granted an interview to a London journalist at her residence, Welbeck Court, Kensington, Miss Sheridan presented a perfect type of the healthy, handsome English lady of society, but it was quickly made apparent by her remarks that for some time until lately her health had caused her and the members of her family serious misgivings. Miss Sheridan's opening words were significant:

"How I succeeded in not fainting when I went to Court I hardly know now. A somewhat severe attack of influenza," she mentioned, "had left me very weak and nervous. I began to have the most depressing feelings of lassitude, so that I, who had previously been of most active habits, felt unable to fulfil even ordinary engagements. Persistent headaches completely prostrated me. Of course, I consulted medical specialists, and then I learned to my dismay that I was suffering from Anæmia."

"I fear I cannot describe to you the various stages of Anæmia through which I passed. My social obligations had to be neglected, for I could take no interest in matters of even pressing urgency. My strength entirely failed, and the slightest exertion caused me to collapse through exhaustion. My nerves were so affected that at the time when I went to Court I was terribly depressed and physically ill."

"As the best medical treatment seemed unable to help me I went to the Riviera for some time. One would naturally expect even the most afflicted anæmic to recover in such genial surroundings, but such was not the case. Medical attendants did their best for me, still I could trace no improvement. The headaches continued and the weariness and exhaustion never left me, while I lost all my usual colour and complexion. I returned to London ill and unhappy."

"Some time after this, while glancing through a periodical, I read about Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People and re-

Dr. Williams' Pink Pills.

solved to try them, as they appeared to be so generally recommended for Anæmia. I obtained some and within a little time I undoubtedly felt somewhat stronger. As I continued these pills the headaches became less severe and I lost that sense of lassitude and weariness. I was able to take an active interest in matters of passing and personal interest."

"Of course, my recovery was not instantaneous; my health had been so impaired that this could neither be expected nor hoped for. But the progress was sure, and, to my mind, not even slow, under the circumstances. By persevering with Dr. Williams' Pink Pills my health was completely restored. My colour and complexion have returned and once more I find an interest in life. It will at all times give me pleasure to recommend Dr. Williams' Pink Pills."

In all classes of society Dr. Williams' Pink Pills find favour because they contain just the elements that make Good, New Blood and Sound Nerves. That is why they cure so frequently Anæmia, Indigestion, General Weakness, Heart Palpitations, Fainting Fits, Headaches, Neuralgia, Eczema, and Skin Disorders. Sold by all dealers, but remember to look for full name on every package. "Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People." Also sent direct by Dr. Williams' Medicine Co., 2 B Klukiang Road, Shanghai, at \$1.50 per bottle or 6 bottles for \$8. Post free.

Messrs. Lamke and Rogge write in their fortnightly circular of 28th November:—

The general position of the freight market has changed but little since issue of last circular. A very satisfactory amount of business is still being transacted up North, but up South the closing of Newchwang and Tientsin by ice is now imminent, whereby trade will be considerably curtailed. This fact combined with the unlikelihood of any early recovery of the Southern trade—the new Saigon season will in all probability not come to the rescue of shippers until some time in February—makes it pretty certain, that the next couple of months will witness the forced laying-up of a number of coasting vessels.

The business of the fortnight is chiefly represented by coal features, of which the following are on record: Palouat to Singapore at \$2.00, Kobao to Shanghai at \$1.90, Hongkong to Hongkong at \$1.00, Hongkong to Canton at \$1.40, Hongkong to Swatow at \$1.25, Haiphong to Canton at \$1.05, Wakamatsu to Canton at \$2.15.

Rice-shippers in the South are confined to a solitary settlement from Saigon to 1 port Philippines, the boat in question securing 17 cents for a cargo of 35,000 piculs.

From Bangkok and Java there is nothing whatever doing for outsiders. Shipments of wet sugar from Java ports to this have well nigh ceased; and nearly all there remains of the present crops produce is being purchased by India.

Newchwang to Canton:—Only one further boat has been procurable for loading prior to the closing of the port, several other orders not finding a taker.

Tientsin has a fixture to Amoy on basis of 20 cents per picul, and from Wuhu to Swatow a steamer has locally been settled on lump sum terms, the rate working out at about 16 cents.

Time-charter:—Two hand-fired Norwegian vessels have found employment for short periods, being intended to carry cattle.

Mail Tonnage Loading or to Load:—For Baltimore and New York:—Brit. bark Eclipse 2,568 tons arrived 18th August. Brit. Lyndhurst 2,249 tons arrived 14th September. Brit. bark Daylight 3,599 tons arrived 9th October.

Sail Tonnage Disengaged:—None.

Departure of Sailers:—None.

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PROFESSIONAL ANNOUNCEMENT.

DR. W. R. LAMB,
AMERICAN OCULIST AND OPTICIAN.

NO. 11, KING EDWARD HOTEL ANNEXE.

HAS the pleasure of announcing his return to Hongkong where he will remain till DECEMBER 15TH.

He has all the latest and best instruments and apparatus for thoroughly examining and Refracting the Eyes according to the most modern and approved methods as employed in the Metropolitan Eye Hospitals, and has the largest supply and greatest variety of the newest kinds and styles of mountings and lenses of the best quality ever brought to this Colony—including several thousand different compound and pneumatic lenses made specially to order for the correction of astigmatism and other abnormal conditions of refraction which the ordinary lenses commonly used will not correct. His facilities for attending to those in need of his services are equal in any respect to the best obtainable anywhere abroad.

Those who are troubled with weak or defective vision, who suffer from eyeache, headache in the orbital region, inflammation of the eyes or weakness of the ocular muscles, or any of the numerous conditions due to eye strain and necessitating the use of glasses—and most of these troubles are permanently cured by accurate refraction and properly suited glasses—would do well to avail themselves of the present exceptional opportunity of having their eyes properly examined and refracted and obtaining glasses of the right kind. There are hundreds, if not thousands here, having defective sight who have never had their eyes properly examined by a qualified Oculist, and who are using glasses which in at least nine-tenths of the cases are quite unsuitable, and which not only fail to bring the vision up to the highest possible standard, but the eyes are often much strained, and the vision seriously and often permanently impaired.

Dr. LAMB is certificated in optics as well as in medicine, has made the Eyes a specialty for over 20 years so that all glasses he supplies are warranted to be correct. He has thousands of references and testimonials from individual citizens from several British Colonies which he has visited professionally and can assure those in need of his services the most thorough, reliable and satisfactory professional work. Charges Reasonable—and Consultation Free.

HOURS: 9 a.m. to 12 a.m.; 2 to 5 p.m.

Hongkong, 27th November, 1908. [1015]

CHILDREN'S
CHRISTMAS BAZAAR,
to be held at the
ITALIAN CONVENT,
28 CAINE ROAD,
on the 1st, 2nd, 3rd, 4th, 5th, and 7th DEC.
On behalf of the
POOR LITTLE ORPHANS.

DOLLS, TOYS, SWEETS, and ARTI-
CLES of every description suitable for
Christmas presents.
Hongkong, 24th November, 1908. [1018]

DON'T BUY

ELSEWHERE BEFORE YOU CALL AT

FRENCH STORE

(Opposite ASTOR HOUSE).

NOW SHOWING

A Large and Fancy Assortment of

The Best FRENCH TOYS, DOLLS,

TOM SMITH'S CRACKERS,

CADBURY'S CHOCOLATE,

PERNOT BISCUITS,

&c., &c., &c.

Hongkong, 21st November, 1908. [1019]

PEAK TRAMWAYS COMPANY,
LIMITED.

TIME TABLE

WEEK DAYS.

7.00 a.m. to 9.30 a.m. Every 10 minutes
9.30 a.m. to 11.00 a.m. Every 15 minutes
11.30 a.m. to 12.45 p.m. Every 15 minutes
12.45 p.m. to 1.15 p.m. Every 10 minutes
1.15 p.m. to 1.45 p.m. Every 15 minutes
1.45 p.m. to 2.15 p.m. Every 10 minutes
2.15 p.m. to 3.00 p.m. Every 15 minutes
3.30 p.m. to 5.00 p.m. Every 15 minutes
5.00 p.m. to 8.00 p.m. Every 10 minutes

NIGHT CARS.
8.45 p.m. and 9 p.m. 9.45 p.m. to 11.15 p.m.
every half hour.

SUNDAYS.

8.00 a.m. to 9.00 a.m. Every 15 minutes
9.00 a.m. to 9.30 a.m. Every 10 minutes
9.30 a.m. to 10.30 a.m. Every 15 minutes
10.30 a.m. to 11.00 a.m. Every 10 minutes
11.45 a.m. to 12.00 noon Every 15 minutes
12.00 noon to 1.00 p.m. Every 10 minutes
1.00 p.m. to 1.00 p.m. Every 15 minutes
5.00 p.m. to 6.00 p.m. Every 10 minutes
6.00 p.m. to 7.00 p.m. Every 15 minutes
7.00 p.m. to 8.00 p.m. Every 10 minutes

NIGHT CARS as on Week Days.

SATURDAYS.

Extra cars at 3.15 p.m., 5.30 p.m. and 11.45 p.m.

SPECIAL CARS by Arrangement at the
Company's Office, ALEXANDRA BUILDING,
Des Voeux Road Central.

JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON,
General Managers.

Hongkong, 24th Nov 1908. [1020]

GREEN ISLAND CEMENT COMPANY,
LIMITED.

PORTLAND CEMENT.

In Casks of 37½ lbs. net \$5.50 per Cask
ex Factory

In Bags of 50 lbs. net \$3.45 per Bag
ex Factory

SHEWAN TOMES & Co.,
General Managers.

Hongkong, 19th August, 1908. [1021]

NETHERLANDS LLOYD OF AMSTER-
DAM AND BATAVIA.

THE Undersigned having been appointed
AGENTS of the above Company, are
prepared to accept Fire and Marine Risks at
Current Rates.

CRUZ, BASTO & CO.

Hongkong, 11th November 1908. 978

NOTICE.

JUST UNPACKED.

A Selected Variety of
XMAS & NEW YEAR
and
ENGLISH HAND-MADE
PRIVATE GREETING
CARDS.

Also

RELIEF SCRAPS

from the well-known from of

Messrs. RAFAEL TUCK & SONS.

Now for Sale at

No. 27, DES VŒUX ROAD.

PRICES MODERATE.

INSPECTION INVITED.

GRACA & CO.

Hongkong, 27th November, 1908. [1022]

LEE YEE

HAIR-DRESSING SALOON.

HAS ALWAYS ON HAND

CIGARS, CIGARETTES

AND

TOILET REQUISITES

FOR SALE.

12, D'AGUILAR STREET,

HONGKONG.

Hongkong, 26th September, 1908. [1023]

Dentistry.

TSIN TING.

LATEST METHODS OF DENTISTRY.

STUDIO AT NO. 14, D'AGUILAR STREET.

Intimations.



A. S. WATSON & CO.,
LIMITED.

ESTABLISHED A.D. 1847.

CHEMISTS & DRUGGISTS,
&c., &c., &c.

BY APPOINTMENT TO HIS EXCELLENCY THE
GOVERNOR AND HOUSEHOLD.

WATSON'S BALSAM OF ANISEED,
\$0.50 and \$1.00.

A reliable remedy for all severe, acute,
chronic, and lingering coughs and colds.
Relieves hoarseness, sore throat, tickling
in the throat, and difficulty in breathing.

WATSON'S COLD CURE TABLETS,
\$0.80.

Speedily relieves influenza, cold in the
head, sneezing, &c.

WATSON'S COUGH LOZENGES,
\$0.75.

For alleviation of bronchitis, hoarseness,
coughs, asthma, colds, and disorders of
the throat and lungs.

WATSON'S
WILD CHERRY COUGH SYRUP,
\$0.75.

Highly recommended.

WATSON'S EMEROCATION,
\$0.60.

For colds in the chest, bronchitis, sore
throat, &c.

A. S. WATSON & CO.,
(LIMITED).

ALEXANDER BUILDINGS

AND

KOWLOON DISPENSARY.

Opening, 23rd October, 1908.

MARRIAGE.

SELLERD-HYDE.—At St. Peter's Church,
on Nov. 3, by the Rev. J. H. France, ALF-
ANDER SPILLERD, I. M. Customs, Amoy, to
LOUISA MARY HYDE, daughter of Frank
H. Hyde, Esq., proprietor of the Swallow
Hotel.

The Hongkong Telegraph

HONGKONG, MONDAY, NOVEMBER 30, 1908.

ADMIRAL NOEL ON HONGKONG'S
TRADE.

It is a notorious fact that, with a few
praiseworthy exceptions, ministers of religion
and members of the Services know prac-
tically nothing about trade or trade require-
ments. From the ministerial point of view
the idea that anybody should work for the
filthy lucre to be gained by successful
business deals is repugnant to their highly-
strung and spiritual nature, unless it takes
the form of handsome donations to the
innumerable charities which our reverend
friends manage somehow or another to create.
The Service men on the other hand are so
deeply concerned with the disciplining of
their commands that they seldom have the
time to devote to the actual exigencies of
commerce, until they are roused into action
by the Imperial authorities. When they do
receive the order to wipe out a nest of
piratical gangs, they do so with an enthu-
siasm which is wholly admirable, the more so
because it is very unlikely as a general rule
that they will receive any kudos for their
action. But there are Service men who
recognise and study the affinity existing
between trade and the flag, particularly
Naval officers of superior rank and the men
of the Royal Engineers, who come into
direct contact with civilian life as the result
of their labours in opening up new spheres of
commerce. At a recent banquet in Lon-
don, when Sir Gerard Noel was called
upon to respond to one of the toasts, the
worthy Admiral departed from the usual
custom of Naval men and actually referred
to the future trade possibilities of Hongkong.
When the average Naval man begins to orate
it is generally possible to tell in advance
what he will say. He will refer to the
glorious deeds of Drake and Nelson, and by
degrees proceed to criticise the policy of the
Government with regard to the building of
battleships, the two-power standard, the
Dreadnought, and other matters which
have been discussed ad nauseam, winding
up with the consoling assurance that Britain
is Mistress of the Sea and Britons never shall
be slaves. The trick is easily learnt, and it
has been cultivated with such assiduity for
years that nobody expects anything else. So
that when an Admiral of the calibre of Sir

Gerard Noel, who was not long since the
Commander-in-Chief of the China squadron,
dives apologetically into trade matters read-
ers begin to wonder whether our handy
men are adding a new leaf to their book of
instructions. When Admiral Noel was on
the China station piracy on the West and
Pearl Rivers were matters of everyday oc-
currence. Even vessels flying the British
flag and officered by Britishers were at-
tacked, and in one case in particular
the captain, mate and engineer only es-
caped with their lives by a miracle, while
a medical missionary was killed. Things
became so bad and the inactivity of the
Chinese Provincial authorities so flagrant
and exasperating that Great Britain, tired
of false promises of reform, took over the
control of the Canton delta and policed the
rivers with such effect that the freebooting
gentry found it advisable to evacuate their
old haunts and pursue their nefarious trade
on land. The worst of it was that the
Naval men carried out their instructions so
strenuously and well that the authorities at
Whitehall arrived at the conclusion that the
mosquito flotilla attached to the China
squadron was far too large for the work of
patrolling the rivers and safeguarding British
trade from Canton to Chefoo, and accord-
ingly a portion of the smaller craft was put
out of commission. The Admiral in re-
ferring to this fact remarked: "I was se-
riously distressed when, just before I left the
station, they removed a large number of my
small craft. I am thankful to say several of
them have been replaced." That was his
introduction to a few concise observations
on the prospect which will dawn when the
railway from Kowloon to Canton is opened.
The quotation is as succinct as an order on
the quarter-deck: "If I may say a few words
on the commercial aspect, I hold that one
of the most important things for British
commerce in China is the railway terminat-
ing at Kowloon. If that is fully developed,
and in connection with the large area of
Southern part of China, Hongkong will
have an extraordinary revival." It would
have been decidedly interesting if the
Admiral, once he had plunged into the
question of trade, had offered his opinion
regarding the future of Canton and the
port of Whampoa, but it may be that he
reflected not the idea of raising an extremely
controversial subject at a banquet, even
although the majority of those present were
either actively or passively interested in the
enlarged views of the authorities in South
China to vitalise Whampoa, in order that
the port may regain something of its old
reputation as the shipping entrepot of South
China. Leaving that aside, it may be
assumed that Admiral Noel was not speaking
in pedantic English when he referred to the
"revival" of Hongkong's commerce, because
although it has to be admitted that depres-
sion exists, there is nothing to alarm the
cautious trader. At the same time if the
railway were completed and regular goods
trains running to the capital of the two
Kwangs it is certain that a spurt would be
given to the natural enterprise of Hongkong
merchants, who would take advantage of the
brightening prospects and lag no longer in
the rear, waiting for better times to be re-
vealed before committing themselves to the
exploitation of fresh undertakings. Sir Gerard
Noel dwelt on the advance which China
would make when the network of cross-
country railways was an accomplished fact.
How many in that gathering sat wondering
to themselves if the railway schemes would
ever be completed, or completed in their
time? What do we know about the Kowloon
Canton railway for instance. Now and again
rumours gain currency as to the work in
connection with the tunnel and an occa-
sional glimpse is given of the progress made,
but what the construction gang is doing in
the direction of Sam Chun nobody outside the
charmed circle of officialdom has the slight-
est idea. Yet it is our money that is being
thrown into the mud on which the unstable
bridges and rickety rails are being built,
and it might be thought that we are entitled
to a monthly report at least of how matters
are proceeding. If this railway were being
constructed by a limited liability
company it is to be believed that the share-
holders would be content with the scraggy
and unintelligible reports which
are handed out with all the solemnity of a
Papal Bull? If the manager of Rauba was
to say that the investors in that concern had
no right to learn what was being done in the
way of excavating would the shareholders
rise up and call him blessed? Not only is
the work in connection with the Kowloon
section of the railway a sealed book, but it
is stated that visitors who have no interest
in the scheme and would not trouble their
heads about it at any price are hustled away
from the scene of operations—wherever that
maybe—if they were casually traitors to their
country and unmitigated vagabonds. How-
ever, Admiral Noel seems to think that all is
well and winsomely trusts he is right, although
it is a severe call on the imagination to be-
lieve that all these underhand doings and
mysterious concealments bear no signifi-
cance. Everybody is saying that China is
moving; would that the British interests
in South China move a little less spas-
modically.

ST. ANDREW IN HONGKONG.

When St. Andrew set foot on the rocky
shore of Scotland, he had certainly no idea
that his name would become synonymous
with an annual event which brings out some
of the best qualities in the character of the
wild ruffians he had come to convert. As a
matter of fact, the saint had a somewhat
mixed reception at the hands of the bel-
ligerent clansmen, but one way or another he
won his way into their stony hearts and
lulled their suspicious nature so effectively
that in time he was not merely tolerated but
actually made at home by some sections of
the rival crowd. To-day he is the patron
saint of Scotland, and few patron saints
are remembered so jealously as the meek
and mild father who ventured ashore on the
bleak coast of auld Scotia. But why that
recognition of the Saint's labours should
take the form of high revelry, including
jorums of mountain dew, it is difficult to say.
It is just possible that the average Scot be-
ing a dour, self-contained, supercilious sort
of individual, who usually prefers to keep a
calm sough, fancies that the only way he
can express his sentiments on occasions of
importance is to unbind the thongs of his
inordinate pride and rush to the opposite ex-
treme. For say what you will, the Scot whatever
his station, is a proud and 'aughty person, the
prouder because he seldom allows himself to
unbend, and then only in the company of
his ain folk, so to speak. People in Hong-
kong should know something about the men
of the hills and the heather, for the Colony
is overrun by caterans of the North and Bor-
der rivers, and the night air is generally
thick with the broad doric of the Highland
dales. Where all these Scotsmen come from
is a mystery to the new recruit from the old
country. All Scotland only holds a matter of
some four millions, and yet if one travels to
the Far East by way of Canada he is bound,
if he opens his mouth and happens jocosely
to say, "Hoo's a' wi' ye?" to find that all
the world seems to be made-up of Scotsmen
and a few other nationalities. Of course, it
is pardonable to say this on St. Andrew's
Day because it will please the Scots and it
doesn't do anybody else any harm. Besides,
it must not be forgotten that the Caledonian
is a vain creature, when you reach down to
the bedrock of his nature. He is proud,
certainly, but his national vanity is colossal,
and if he is a good Scot he will not seek to
deny it, because he is well assured that he
is the salt of the earth and everybody else
stands in awe of his descent and his nobility.
Take for example the toast which Scotsmen
offer each other when no "foreigner" is
nigh. Parenthetically it may be remarked
that the Scotch gentleman—and it goes with-
out saying all Scotsmen pretend to be that—
never recites the time-honoured health when
a stranger is present because he is the essence
of pedantic courtesy. The toast goes to the
effect "Here's to coarsels; wha's like us?"
"Come say, 'There's nae like us,' and
mind you, that is said in no spirit of braga-
doccio because they believe in the truth of
the assertion as they believe, in another way,
in the Shorter Catechism. The Scotsman
who ridiculed the idea that Shakespeare was
on a par with Robbie Burns because Rob-
bie would never have been guilty of such an
absurdity as to say, "Uncasy lies the
head that wears a crown" is a type. Every-
body knows that kings hang their crowns
on the bed post before they go to sleep and
no Scotsman, least of all Burns, would have
committed such a solecism as that attribut-
ed to the English Bard. But with all their
pride and glory and knack of making them-
selves useful, the average Scot is not half
so black as he is painted by his enemies.
It is true he is on friendly terms with the
devil—whom he satirizes whenever he gets a
chance—but then he refers to the creator as
if he were speaking of a long-lost brother,
not irreverently but rather with the honest
familiarity which comes from long pondering
over the Word by his forbears. Who but a
Scotch minister would attempt to explain to
the Almighty the meaning of the theological
terms he occasionally uses in the course of
his interminable prayers? And yet that
idea of giving confidence for confidence
may be heard in any Presbyterian church in
Scotland on any Sunday. So the Scotch
people, having staked out a large portion of
the earth for themselves, and having given
the devil his due and a bit over, and having
made satisfactory arrangements with regard
to their heavenly mansions are inclined to
feel that they are entitled to all the
praise that is coming to them. And in
honouring St. Andrew they justly feel they
are honouring themselves. To-night, St.
Andrew will appear resplendent in his robes
with his own particular cross, to cheer his
people while they pledge his health in their
peculiar fashion—which means rivers
of barley breck and mountains of haggie—
and no doubt the old saint will rejoice that
at all events he was no unscrupulous mendicant
in his day. And now, what about St. George
and St. Patrick? One was a dashing
cavalier and the other a Scotch brother of
a boy, but they seem to be utterly ignored so
far as Hongkong is concerned. St. Andrew
represents the whole bunch, to use an
Americanism, and his adherents are usually
successful in making his anniversary the red-
letter day of the year. Perhaps it is just as

well, that only one of the saints gets the
kudos he deserves, for if the tale went
abroad that after the celebrations in honour
of the English and Irish patrons the "wor-
shippers" saw dragons and snakes, the
Puritanical members of the community
might be led to make absurd deductions
based on false premises.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

THE English mail of the 31st October was
delivered in London on the 28th inst.

A VLADIVOSTOK dispatch states that the
River Amur is frozen over and closed to
shipping.

THERE is no room in to-day's issue of the
Telegraph for Canton Day-by-Day and other
items of interest.

THIS sale by auction of the two Russian steam-
ers under attachment at Nagasaki has been
postponed to the 10th proximo.

OWING to the Government being in mourning,
the ceremony of installing the Dalai Lama
with his new title, which was to have taken
place on 24th Nov., has been postponed.

THE Russian Volunteer steamer *Zongmou* has
been wrecked in a gale. Japanese torpedo-
boats assisted her to regain Tsuraoka on the
24th Nov. and her passengers and freight are
safe.

A VLADIVOSTOK dispatch reports that rumour
is current there to the effect that the Russian
Viceroyalty of the Far East will be re-estab-
lished. Its jurisdiction will embrace the Amur,
Maritime, Kamchanka, and Yakutskya Pro-
vinces, three other districts and Saghalien.

A COLLISION took place between the steamers
Takung and *Takung* on the evening of the
22nd November at Huangshankong, near
Kiangyin. The *Takung* sank immediately
after the collision, and it is reported that a
large number of passengers were drowned.
The *Takung* suffered only a little damage.

TWO coolies belonging to a ballast boat were
prosecuted in the Police Court, to-day, for
causing an obstruction at Quarry Bay on Sat-
urday, and for assaulting an Indian policeman.
The defendants had half of the road blocked
with baskets containing stones, and while they
were being taken to the station they turned
on the police officer, giving him a pretty warm
reception. Fined: \$1 for obstruction and \$3 for
assault.

THE *Japan Chronicle* of 17th inst. says:—On
Sunday, the new 12,000-ton floating-dock of
the Misu Bishi Company at Kobe was to
have been launched, but for some reason not
yet explained the huge mass of steel and iron
refused to take the water, although two steamers
were assisting in the attempt to get the dock
off the slip. Another attempt was to have
been made yesterday afternoon, but we believe
it was unsuccessful.

THE annual general meeting of the Kowloon
Dock Staff was held in the Reading Room on
Tuesday last when the following members were
elected to office for the ensuing year. Messrs.
Wm. Stewart, chairman; J. C. Gow, secretary;
R. Lapsley, Treasurer; R. J. Brown, Librarian;
W. J. Crawford, J. Davison, J. Haad, J.
Ramsey and J. Tully, Committee. It was also
agreed to carry on the bi-weekly dances and
to hold the usual annual ball on Hogmanay Eve.

ON the night of the 23rd Nov., a bridge on the
Shantung (Taingtiao-Tsienanfu) Railway, about
twenty-eight kilometers distant from Taingtiao,
broke down under the weight of a passing
train. There was some loss of life, which is
said to be serious. The exact cause of the
accident is not yet known. There has also
been an accident at a German mine at Hung-
shan. Twenty Chinese and one European are
reported to have been drowned.—N. C. D.
News.

THIS morning, in the Police Court, a coolie
named Chan Yeung, of 178, Des Voeux Road,
was charged with being found in the servants'
quarters of 17, Togo Terrace, Kennedy Road,
without the permission of the occupier (Mr. C.
S. McKinley) and with assault. The coolie's
presence in the house was discovered by Mr.
McKinley, who ordered him to leave the pre-
mises forthwith. The man was a long time in
obeying the order and Mr. McKinley was
about to assist him out, when the intruder
turned sharply on his heel and struck the
gentleman on the chest. Mr. McKinley had to
defend himself with his fist, too. Defendant
admitted going to the house without permis-
sion. He went there, he said, to collect a
debt. He denied the charge of assault. A
fine of \$5 on each charge was imposed.

SOLDIER'S SAD END.

CUT HIS THROAT IN MURRAY BARRACKS.

The mortal remains of Lance-Corporal T. E.
Smith, who committed suicide by cutting his
throat on Friday night last, were laid to rest at
Happy Valley this morning. The funeral was,
of course, a military one, and a large number
of deceased's personal friends followed the gun
carriage. At present the motive for the man
taking his life is not known. The deceased
was, comparatively speaking, a young man,
belonged to the band of the Buffs. On Friday
night he was reported missing, and after a
search he was found lying in one of the out-
houses in Murray Barracks, where he was
quartered, with his throat cut. A razor was
discovered by his side. The body was taken
to the Military Hospital for burial. The tra-
gedy was not reported to the police until yes-
terday morning and certain investigations had
to be made, by order of the Coroner, which
somewhat delayed the funeral.

UNWASHED FOR SIX YEARS.

WIDOW OF SIXTY-FOUR UNSUCCESSFUL IN
MATRIMONIAL MARKET.

Sad at heart because her chances of bagging
another husband was somewhat remote, a
"young thing," at the very youthful age of only
sixty-four, has gone against the world in
general and Mere Man in particular. Lam Mui,
for that is the young damsel's name, has
refused to bathe herself in any form since the
gay youths of Wanchai had ceased to throw
goo-goo glances in her direction. That was
six years ago and since then the lonely widow
has not washed herself! And she looks like it,
too.

"Why don't I wash myself?" she said, repeat-
ing the question which was put to her by a
police officer, who remarked subsequently that
he could hear the "things" crawling about her
person. "Why? I'll tell you why. What is
the good of me washing myself when I can't
get a husband?"

The police officer interposed that if she
washed herself occasionally one of these fine
days she might be successful—it she didn't no
respectable boy would make a proposal to her
in her present condition.

"It is no good," the woman added, "I'm
afraid my chances have gone for good." No
advice would she take from the kind-hearted
official and all attempts to cheer her up were
fruitless.

The above interesting conversation took
place after Lam Mui had been arrested yester-
day afternoon for seriously assaulting a mem-
ber of the male tribe on the beach at the Praya
East yesterday. Lam Mui and Wong To were
engaged at the time in searching for shells near
Tai Woo Street. A dispute arose between them,
which led to Wong being sent to hospital
and the arrest of the "man-bater." Lam Mui,
it is reported, accused Wong of being in pos-
session of some of her shells, which the latter
denied vigorously. A quarrel started, and Lam
Mui in her excitement was alleged to have at-
tacked the man, flinging him down on the beach,
and injuring his arm. She was arraigned in
the Police Court this morning, to answer the
charge. Evidence was heard, after which she
was discharged on the ground that the charge
was not proved.

And Lam Mui, looking as jubilant as ever
arranged the fifteen pieces of clothing which
she was wearing and slipped out of the dock
like a fifteen-year-old—a free woman, but
nevertheless a widow, and still a member of the
anti-water brigade.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE.

LADY LUGARD, EXPECTED 24TH DEC.

An official dinner is to be held at Govern-
ment House on the 1st December. The
following is a list of invited guests:—H. E.
Admiral the Hon. Sir Hedworth Lambton,
K.C.V.O., etc., R.N., Flag Captain Clinton Baker,
R.N., Flag Comdr. Norris, R.N., Flag Lieut. Mul-
leux, R.N., Mr. Molton, R.N., Comdr. Fuller,
R.N., Mr. and Mrs. Slade, Mr. and Mrs. Barretto,
Mr. Bernardy, Mr. Elwyn, Mr. Moreno, Mr. and
Mrs. Tiedmann, Lt.-Comdr. D. C. Keen, R.N., Lt.-
Comdr. Gresson, R.N., Major Close, R.E., Capt.
and Mrs. D. Deane, Lt.-Col. and Mrs. Bayard,
Capt. Dwyer, Major Probyn, R.A.M.C., Lt.-Col.
Stacpole, A.P.D., Capt. and Mrs. Waller,
Dr. Aubrey, Mr. and Mrs. Bailey, Mr. Elwes,
Mr. P. Golding, Miss Innes, Mr. and Mrs.
Logan and Sir F. Lovell, C.M.G.

The community will be glad to know that
Lady Lugard left Marseilles by P. and O.
Victoria, on Nov. 27th, and arrives here Dec.
24th.

SHOPKEEPERS ROBBED.

DAKING GANG OF OUTLAWS AT WORK
ON THE MAINLAND.

At this season of the year, when the Chinese
New Year is not so very far off, and when the
loafers are looking forward to a good time,
armed robberies on the Mainland are not an un-
common occurrence. So far less than a dozen
houses in the New Territory have been broken
into by lawless gangs and in each case valuable
stuff has been stolen, and in many cases the
inmates maltreated. Up to now the police
have only been able to follow up one robbery
to a felch and three men are being detained in
the Victoria Gaol awaiting trial.

The doings of a number of these outlaws—
who are suspected to belong to the gang
responsible for the previous attacks—at Chuen-
wan last night, are of a daring character,
inasmuch as the gang ransacked two shops in
the village almost at the same time.

Chuen-wan village is on the mainland,
situated a little distance away from Setoon, and
about three and a half hours' steam from Hong-
kong. It was reported to the police that
shortly after seven o'clock last evening a gang
of about fourteen men forced an entry into a
shop (No. 20) by pulling down the back door.
Five of the men were armed, some carrying
revolvers and some choppers, two held lighted
torches, and the remainder were there to
collect the booty while the others stood guard,
and were empty-handed. The shop people
numbered about four men in all, and they were
driven into a corner and told to keep still
otherwise they would be all slaughtered. Of
course the folk obeyed, and while four men
stood over them, swinging their weapons about
threateningly, the others ransacked the pre-
mises collecting a large quantity of clothing,
stores, and a sum of money, altogether total-
ling about \$50. They then made away with the
booty.

Almost at the same time else other hood-
lums, who no doubt belonged to the original
gang, were playing havoc with another
shop (No. 20) a little distance down
the road. They were armed with similar
weapons, and carried out their nefarious
work in precisely the same manner as above
related. After terrorising the shop men they
made good their escape with clothing, jewellery
and money to the value of \$550.

A description of the robbers has been sup-
plied to the police by the victims, and steps
are being taken to run the scoundrels to earth. It
is the general belief, however, that the robbers
have crossed the border into Chinese territory,
where they are said to dispose of the spoil at
their own sweet will.

Telegrams.

"HONGKONG TELEGRAPH"
SERVICE.

PEKING.

EMPRESS DOWAGER'S ESTATE.

[By courtesy of the "Shen Po"]

Peking, 29th November.

Prince Ching and Grand Coun-
cillor Yuan Shih-kai are not in
favour of Prince Chun acting as the
Regent. They have contrived to
approach the Dowager Empress to
administer the affairs of State so as
to deprive Prince Chun of power.

The estate of the late Empress
Dowager is worth twenty million
dollars. The Prince Regent is desirous
of devoting the entire amount
towards the formation of a Navy.

The late Empress Dowager kept
in the Ewo Park a shed for pleasure
boats whose upkeep necessitated a
large sum of money annually. The
Prince Regent desires to do away
with this expensive establishment.
The Dowager Empress acquiesces in
the proposal.

Yesterday an Imperial decree was
issued appointing noon, on the 2nd
December, for the enthronement of
the young Emperor Pu-yi and the
issue of the decree granting amnesty.
On the previous day the Emperor
will attend memorial services for the
late Emperor and Empress Dowager
in the Confucian Temple.

Mr. Rockhill, U.S. Minister in
Peking, has advised that the Ameri-
can Government proposes to further
reduce the Boxer indemnity payable
by China to the United States in
further testimony of the sympathy
felt with China in her sorrow.

It is proposed by the Russian
Government to reduce the guards
stationed at Peking and Tientsin.
The Waiwupu contemplates the de-
spatch of a special Commissioner to
return thanks to Russia.

Shanghai, 29th November.

On hearing of the Emperor's
death, H.E. Shum Chun-hsen, ex-
Viceroy of Canton, wished to hurry
to Peking in order to participate
in the mourning ceremonies. He
was, however, so overcome with
grief that he began to spit blood,
and was compelled to abandon his
idea of proceeding North.

[Rumor's.]

The Near East Trouble.

LONDON, 27th November.

There is a panic on the Vienna Bourse,
due to a combination of disquieting rumours
of the Balkan situation.

Reassuring official statements failed to
restore confidence.

Interest centres in the negotiations be-
tween Vienna and St. Petersburg regarding
the conference and it is admitted in Vienna
that the views of the two Governments are
very divergent.

The United States.

Mr. Taft appoints Mr. Hitchcock Post-
master.

France and the Near Eastern
Question.

In a debate on Foreign affairs in the
French Chamber, M. Pichon said that the
hope was warranted that Austria would agree
to come to an understanding with the Porte,
and that it was not impossible to find com-
pensations for Serbia and Montenegro.

The Turkish Chargé d'Affaires at Vienna
has informed Count Aehrenthal that the
Porte will do all possible to prevent the
boycott.

The Licensing Bill.

28th November.

The House of Lords has rejected the
Licensing Bill by 277 against 96.

Austria and Turkey.

Assurances have been given by the Turkish
Chargé d'Affaires and Ambassador Reshid,
who is en route from Constantinople, on the
subject of the boycott which has restored the
optimism in Vienna.

STALING an orange which cost two cents and
with damaging property to the extent of a dol-
lar, were the charges Yau Kuo, a tallyman,
had to answer in the Police Court to-day. It
would appear that Yau ate the orange and spent
a long time in paying for it. A word or two
took place between the hawker and Yau, who
imagined that he had been insulted, kicked
over the stalls. Yau was found not guilty on
the charge of theft, but for the damage to the
stall he was ordered to pay the hawker's
compensation, which was a very extraordinary
price to pay for that kind of fruit.

St. Andrew's Ball.

PREPARATIONS FOR BRILLIANT FUNCTION.

TRANSFORMATION SCENE AT THE CITY HALL.

"What's a' the steer, kimmer?" may well be asked to-night, when the "volunteers" of St. Andrew's set out to show Hongkong what Scotsmen can do when they put their shoulders to the wheel. Not even the most phlegmatic Scot could get away from the fact to-day that the St. Andrew's Ball, the dance of the season, the time for jollity, and renewing of old acquaintance, was at hand. The very ridiculous coolies had the doric on their tongues, but it was a fearless thing to hear some of them trying to get round the guttural. Never mind; they did their best and their best was a great deal better than that of some of the English gentry who would insist on speaking a hybrid dialect which was mostly composed of Devonshire, "Ze a," Yorkshire "Y's," and "down the water" idioms unknown to the heroes of Glencoe Fair. Now why, is it that this St. Andrew's Ball makes such a sensation every year? A stranger would fancy St. Andrew had never been heard of before—certainly there are a good many brawls who never knew that the saint and "a' nich on't" meant the same thing until they came out to Hongkong. The fact is that St. Andrew's Day and Dance are institutions in the Colony, and it is a greater humiliation to be forgotten when the invitations are flying around than to be cut off the Governor's list. For you have to mind your P's and Q's at the State dance and behave as if you were built on stilts and born on a frosty morning, but there is none of that highfalutin' "dicht yer feet on the bus" sort of thing at St. Andrew's Ball. Fancy some of our friends from Quarry Bay or Kowloon Docks putting on airs and graces, and trying to look as if they abhorred the very name of "Auld Reekie"—which has two meanings as you know. When the head of the household determines that it is to say, allows the guidwife to make up his mind for him to attend the ball this time is finished. Somewhere or another a swallow tail is fished out and he is left in his misery to fit himself into his ancient grandeur. For it is a fact that you can usually tell how long a man has been in Hongkong by the colour and appearance of his coat. Sometimes it is only deep-sea green, which means that he is a comparative newcomer, other times it is bottle-green and the seams appear to be on the point of splitting asunder. That's an old stager and he's to be found with a crown of his in the region of Craigachlach or Strathmore or Glenlivet. As for the women-folk, for the real Scot is only sentimental in books and never goes beyond "my doo" or "my Scotch blue-bell" they are like the wind, blowing hither and thither as they listeth and more than maintaining the reputation of the race. (But never flew from a fight—To say to anyone of the queans from the Highlands "Bonnie lassie, will ye gang?" is to see the danger-sign hoisted, because she's ganging whether ye will or not. And so everything is peace. Upstairs the ladies sporting their tartans; downstairs the men reciting "The dail' hwa' wi' the excise-man" for all they're wr' to the accompaniment of various condiments which are good for the muscles of the tongue.

Sometimes one of the younger members of the family manages to worm into the spread and this is what he is told by his mother before he leaves Kowloon or Quarry Bay. "Vind, Maggeterger, ye're no to be askin' for jelly till ye've eit twa bits o' breid an' butter. It's no mainners; an' the Englishers are rale piteerous. An' ye're no to dicti yer mouth wi' yer cuif—mind that. Ye're to tak' yer hanky an' let on ye're jist givin' yer neeb a bit wipe. An' ye're no to scale yer tea nor sup the sugar if ony's left in yer cup when ye've doo'd drinkin'. An' if ye diap yer piece on the floor ye're no to gang after it; yer jist to let on ye've eit it. An' ye're no—" But it all comes to nothing in the long run, because the fun and the frolic and the high jinks and the loopin' turn the heads of even the wisest of them all.

Properly speaking, the evening does not begin until after midnight, when the hungry crew has joyfully welcomed the "chieftain" of the puddin' race—the baggie. "This year we understand that the 'Cock o' the North'—the slogan of the Gordons—is to be played by an Indian. Well, an Indian is all right, but why not have a Scotsman to do the orifice? Why not our old friend Sandy MacEuen, who has donned the garb of old Gael, and sported the sporran and the bucl' led shewn times without number. Wasn't he a good enough Scotsman for the aristocracy of Peterhead or the Troughat? But perhaps it is a joke about the Indian piper, who never saw a baggie in his life and would be liable to convulsions if he tasted the pride of every Scotch housekeeper. A bad joke though, and it will be good to see the snaky face of the old veteran tramping and skirling his way to the Chief's table.

Of course there will be the usual features, so well known to everybody who has attended a Scotch function. We'll see the Pride of the Glen, and the sword that Wallace wore, and the helmet of de Bouce that was broken in halves by Bruce, and a selection of the loaves that Robbie immortalised, and may be an excise-man or two that he killed, and ropes of heather, with bits of the white for luck, and all the rest of it. What clan Chief Chatham belongs to we cannot tell, but that he can speak good Edinburgh Scotch we happen to know, though whether he has the gift of the gab like Gershom Stewart, or the memory for Scotch poetry—the best to the world—that was inherited by Robert Shewan remains to be seen. One thing is certain, his listeners will not be of the persnickety order, and if he cannot speak he could always vary the proceedings by giving a Highland fling or a ghille callum.

During the evening telegrams will be sent to Sir James Scott in the Far East. The telegram will be in the usual terms "Chief Chatham and

Hongkong Scots greet [us, as, they winna greet] Briher Scott, and that will be sent, bar the interpellation, to Manila, Tientsin, Fochow, Shanghai, Amoy, Kobe, Yokohama, Nagasaki, Weihaiwei, Singapore and Penang. For ourselves we can only hope, a superfluous hope it is true, that the Scots of Hongkong will have a braid bricht nicht the night.

To those who are only bent on taking an active part in to-night's revelries without the serious work of having to assist in the decorations, it is somewhat difficult to appreciate the enormous amount of trouble entailed in transforming the every-day sombre halls of the City Hall into fairy palaces as if by some magic touch. A representative of the *Hongkong Telegraph* visited the scene of to-night's festivities in the early part of this morning, and it was both pleasurable and interesting to watch the place being turned into cosy b'wers worthy of a queen. Among the decorators, were a couple of Jack Tars, whose handiness and versatility are invaluable on such occasions. As the visitor enters the spacious entrance hall, he sees the pillars entwined with bright festoons of greenery. The passage way is lined with ferns and palms and the grand staircase, carpeted in crimson, is a mass of luxuriant greenery. The sloping balustrades have fixed flower pots at regular intervals. On reaching the landing of the first flight of the grand staircase, a huge mirror faces the visitor, which will serve to reflect Hongkong's beauty, as one by one they enter the merry precincts of a hospitable people. Immediately over the top, the lion rampant stands in all the majestic attitude of the device. On the two sides of the polished surface of the mirror the dates "1847" and "1908" stand out on a blue ground, denoting the sixty-first anniversary since the inception of the Society. Right opposite the mirror, and supported on the side of the balcony, is Scotland's national emblem—the thistle. The stalk is of green, the crown red, and the huge emblem—artificial but marvellously like the real by the artistic sense of the decorator—is finished with a white crest, the whole being a mass of glowing and scintillating lights. St. Andrew's Cross—white on blue ground—is in evidence everywhere and other similar devices with the thistle in the centre meet the eye on every side. Heraldic shields depicted from the walls and trophies innumerable are tastefully arranged in the right places. Multi-coloured electric bulbs peep out from among the plants. The decorations everywhere are profuse but at the same time free from being tawdry.

Stepping into St. Andrew's Hall, the first thing to arrest one's attention is a beautiful painting of Edinburgh Castle by night from the brush of Mr. Duncan, of the Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Co. Below it, in the figure of St. Andrew in the act of blessing. At the opposite end of the room, the Society's emblem is displayed. Portraits of Scotland's nobles and daughters hang on the walls, among which are Sir Walter Scott, Robert Burns, Mary, Queen of Scots, the Fifth Duke of Gordon and John Keck, with appropriate legends under each. The rest of the decorations consists of the same bright illuminations relieved by greenery.

The adjacent room—St. George's Hall—differs in a slight degree in its decorative effect. The beautiful painting of the late Queen Victoria is surrounded by Union Jacks and luxuriant foliage. Opposite is a huge St. Andrew's Cross composed of greenery picked out in lights, with the lion rampant in the centre. Flags and palms complete the embellishments.

The theatre, which is to be used for the supper-room, has perhaps proved the most difficult portion of the City Hall so far as the carrying out of the decorations is concerned. The two chief features of this part of the building are the words "I'll drink a cup o' Scotch land, ye," which occupy the panels at the back of the theatre and the Gordon-tartan which runs along the balcony and forms a dainty frieze. Shields bearing St. Andrew's Cross complete the wonderful effectiveness of the decorations.

The ladies' rooms have not been neglected. As for the reception room, very little has been done in the way of decoration, as it was thought undesirable to stuff the place with unnecessary embellishments in order to provide air and freedom to those seeking a spell of rest from the whirling throng.

The above descriptions are by no means as exhaustive as might at first sight be imagined, but are only a few details which will serve to show the enormous responsibility of the work of decoration. Messrs. Wynne and Duncan, of the Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Company, have worked as Trojans just as in former years and have spared no pains to make the Ball a success so far as the decorations are concerned. As our representative given to understand, these two gentlemen have been the backbone of the decoration committee and to their untiring and ungrudging efforts the highest praise is due.

As to the magnificence of the Ball itself, no words can describe that fascinating theme, and one has to go there to gain an idea of it. We will have the pleasure of recording that in our next issue.

THE OPENING DANCE.
The Ball will open with the Lancers, the official set of which will be formed as follows:—
His Excellency the Governor and Mrs. Chatham.

Honourable Mr. W. Chatham, C.M.G., President, and Mrs. Lyon.
H. E. Hon. Sir Hedworth Lambton, K.C.V.O., K.C.B., and Mrs. Smith.

Mr. J. R. M. Smith and Mrs. May.
Mr. T. F. Hough and Mrs. Gresson.
H. E. Major-General R. G. Broadwood, C.B., and Mrs. Peter.

Commodore Herbert Lyon and Mrs. MacKay.
Mr. Murray Stewart and Mrs. Ormiston.

THE SUPPER PARTY.
The following will be the order of the procession on the dancing rooms to the supper, the guests named taking their seats on the platform and supporting Chief Chatham with Mrs. Lyon.

His Excellency the Governor and Mrs. Chatham.

H. E. the Hon. Sir H. Lambton and Mrs. Smith.

Mr. J. R. M. Smith and Mrs. May.
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Mr. Murray Stewart and Mrs. Ormiston.
Honourable Mr. F. H. May, C.M.G., and Mrs. Pollock.

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Mr. R. Mitchell and Mrs. Gomeritz.
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Mr. W. Letham and Mrs. Chamier.
Mr. W. C. Jack and Mrs. Stewart.

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SUPPER AND WINES.—Messrs. J. D. Auld, H. M. Baig, W. D. Broadwood, A. Bryson, H. F. Campbell (Convener), H. F. Carmichael, Capt. J. Douglas, Messrs. W. D. Graham, J. Hall, J. D. Logan, D. MacDonald, A. V. Monk, A. C. More, J. Patterson, A. Rodger, S. B. C. Ross, E. Grant Smith, G. Morton Smith, A. T. Walker, W. Wilson, and Hon. Secretary.

DANCING & MUSIC.—Messrs. C. H. Ross (Convener), W. Armstrong, H. G. C. Bailey, A. Sinclair, T. S. Fraser, W. L. Carter, T. Skinner, E. F. MacKay, C. G. Mackie, Capt. Campbell Heathcote, A.D.C., Mr. Murray Stewart, and Hon. Secretary.

GARD ROOM.—Messrs. G. G. D. Forsyth, J. W. C. Bonnot (Convener), W. N. Fleming, J. McCubbin, and R. R. Hynd.

LADIES' ROOM.—Dr. C. Forsyth (Convener), and Mr. Jas. D. Auld.

"We'll tak' a cup o' kindness yet, for auld lang syne."

MENU.
"Some fine meat and cannot eat,
And some wad eat that want it;
But we'll eat meat and we can eat,
And eat the Lord be thanked."

1.—Saddle of Mutton. 2.—Roast Turkey.
3.—York Ham. 4.—Roast Omelette.
5.—Corned Beef. 6.—Game Pie.
7.—Jelly de Fete Gray in Jelly.
8.—Chicken Salad. 9.—Hot Potatoes.
10.—THE HAGGS.

"Fair fat your honest rousie face,
Great chieftain of the pudding race,
Awa, chieftain! aye! tak' your place."
Freedom and whisky gang the gither. "Tak' o' your dram."

SWEETS.
11.—Gingerbread. 12.—Jelly.
13.—Honey Mince. 14.—Vanilla Ice Cream.
15.—Chocolate Ice Cream.

"Headless there the man with you so dead
Who never to himself hath said
'This is my own, my native land,'
Whose heart hath never within him burred
As home his footstep's in his hand
From wandering on a foreign strand."

THE DANCES.
The dance programme will be as follows:—
With the exception of Nos. 8 and 16, which will be played by the Pipe Band of the H.K.S. B.R.G.A., the Band of the Buffs, under Bandmaster C. B. Hewitt, will play the following music to-night:—

Extra Waltz. 1.—Sobrie les olas.
2.—Waltz. 3.—Causa Tante.
4.—Caledonian. 5.—Scotch Air.
6.—Waltz. 7.—Luna.
8.—Eighteen Reel. 9.—Mr. McLeod of Ramsey.
10.—Two Step. 11.—Mousquetaire Polka.
12.—Caledonian. 13.—The Highlanders.
14.—Signifying Reel. 15.—Marquis of Huntly.
16.—Waltz. 17.—Solitude Luller.
18.—Two Step. 19.—Whirling Kaffir.
20.—Waltz. 21.—The Chorlister.
22.—Two Step. 23.—Pettie Tonkinoise.
24.—Eighteen Reel. 25.—The Merry Widow.
26.—Polka. 27.—Of We Go.
28.—Strawberry Reel. 29.—Causa Tante.
30.—Highland Schottische. 31.—Rae lark about the house.
32.—Caledonian. 33.—Selected.
34.—Eighteen Reel. 35.—Speed the Plough.
36.—Waltz. 37.—Eton Boating Song.
38.—Two Step. 39.—La Maitresse.
40.—Waltz and Galop. 41.—Beautiful Danube and Post Horn.

MURDEROUS ASSAULT.
SHOPKEEPER ATTACKED AT WEST POINT.
It was not until yesterday that the West Point police were successful in arresting a man, who, it is believed, were concerned in a most cowardly assault which took place in that district on Thursday night last. The victim, a shopkeeper named San Cheung, still lies in a dangerous condition in the Government Civil Hospital.

San Cheung is the master of a rattan shop at 210, Des Voeux Road West, and the six men in police custody were, so it is stated, formerly in his employ. Some time at the beginning of this month they were discharged, and their places filled by women, who were considered better and faster workers. There can be no question, if the report is true, that the action of the shopkeeper angered the six men, and, it is alleged, they swore to get level with him one day. On Thursday night, after watching for several weeks, they met San Cheung in a dark part of Centre Street returning home. One of the men was armed with a chopper and the rest with bimed poles. They attacked the unsuspecting shopkeeper mercilessly, and left him unconscious on the roadway. Some time later he was found by the police, and during a cursory examination it was seen that besides a number of other wounds about his body, the shopkeeper had received a cut in the middle of the head, through which, it was said, his brains could be seen. No time was lost in sending him to hospital. His alleged assailants were arrested in the Police Court to-day, and remanded.

ST. GEORGE'S CLUB.

SMOKING CONCERT.

A very enjoyable smoker was held under the auspices of the above Club on Saturday night, when members and visitors were treated to a well-arranged programme which went off with a breezy swing from start to finish. Mr. George A. Dias was in the chair and all those who had the privilege of being present pronounced the impromptu musical treat a great success. It was rather unfortunate that Lieut. R. M. Crosse, R.O.A., was unavoidably absent, as that gifted amateur has made himself a favourite with Hongkong audiences by his witticisms. Mr. Atkins acted as accompanist for the evening and discharged his onerous duty to the satisfaction of all.

Mr. Atkins opened the proceedings with an overture, which was applauded. This was followed by numerous vocal and instrumental numbers, when the real fun of the evening began. Mr. A. Hainibal, who sustained the chief comic element of the entertainment, kept his hearers in a continuous state of laughter in his own inimitable style which wonderfully caught on with the audience. He had to be recalled again and again and it is difficult to say which of the half-a-dozen items which that gentleman gave was appreciated most. "He was a married man" was a master stroke in which the subject looked the very picture of despair and poor mere man must have felt a momentary joy to be freed from the thorny path of wedded life. The other pieces were "Seaweed," "The Captain said I'll stick to the Ship," "My Inquisitive Kiddle," "The Absent-Minded Beggar," and various ways of reciting Tennyson's "Charge of the Light Brigade," which do not need any comment. Mr. E. G. Jordan's "Let Me Sing" and "Would you kindly pass the salt" were given in capital style. Mr. R. L. Bridger gave the "Noisy Johnnie" and "The Frenchman" in the true spirit. Mr. W. Pelling's "You'd better pull down the blind" brought down the house. Capt. Parke's "It was all through a little piece of bacon" was appreciated. Mr. D. Harvey gave a faithful interpretation of the "Promise of Life" on his one-stringed violin and had to respond with "Down the Vale" to the honours which greeted his first performance. Mr. Harvey also appeared in a duet entitled "La Serenata" with Mr. W. Anderson (bass). Mr. Phillips' "King's Own" was ably rendered and deservedly applauded. Mr. E. B. Ayris' "Love, could I only tell thee" and "Come with me to the garden, Maud" were, as usual, capitally rendered. "Tom Brown" by Mr. F. A. Mackintosh was well received. Mr. F. T. Chappell's "Asleep in the Deep" and "The Belfry Tower" were very pleasantly rendered.

INDIAN POLICEMAN'S ALLEGED MISCONDUCT.
CHARGED WITH BRIBE-TAKING.
An Indian policeman (Fattish Singh), who was stationed at Yau-ma-ti Police Station, was charged before Mr. J. H. Kemp, in the Police Court, to-day, with accepting a bribe from a hawkman named Wat Tsai on the 19th instant. Wat Tsai resides in Macdonnell Road, Tsim-tai-tan, and sells fruit outside his house.

Mr. G. N. Orme (deputy superintendent of police) prosecuted. The defendant was unrepresented. He pleaded not guilty to the charge.

It was stated that on the afternoon of the 17th instant the defendant, who was on duty, ordered the complainant to remove his stalls from Macdonnell Road elsewhere, as he alleged, complainant was causing an obstruction. After a long conversation the defendant said that if he was given a bottle of *samsu* he would not arrest the hawkman. Complainant asked what kind of *samsu* he wanted. Defendant replied: "Gin." Complainant agreed to let him have a bottle on the following day, at 4 p.m. An hour before the appointed time complainant reported the matter at the Water Police Station, and a watch was kept, but defendant did not call for the bottle until the day after, when he went to complainant's house. A bottle of whisky was handed to him in the presence of a sergeant, who was concealed in the room. Defendant was leaving the premises, with the bottle under his tunic, when he was arrested.

He Court (to complainant)—How much did you pay for the bottle?—Sixty cents.
How did you know what kind of whisky to buy?—When I went to the compradore's shop I asked what kind of liquor the Indians drank. How long have you been at this corner hawk-

ing?—Four years.
And no objection was made?—No.
A Chinese police sergeant said that on the 17th instant he saw defendant chasing the complainant away from his post. Complainant removed one of his stalls, and as he was returning for the order, defendant asked for his licence. Defendant examined the licence for a while and witness heard him tell the complainant to stay where he was, and defendant walked away. He stopped after covering a few paces and called the hawkman to him. A conversation, which lasted for about five minutes, followed between the men.

Sergeant Caygill gave evidence to the effect that at 6.30 p.m. on the 19th instant, the complainant went to the station and made a report about the defendant. Witness accompanied complainant to his house, got into a position, where he could see the whole of his shop, and waited for about ten minutes, when he saw the defendant coming along. The latter had a good look around and opened a conversation with the complainant, who gave him a bottle of whisky. Witness then allowed him to go a good distance up the street, and arrested him. The defendant's best, the witness added, was in Yau-ma-ti. He was across the boundary when he came to Tsim-tai-tan. Defendant had been four years in the service.

The Court (to Mr. Orme)—What was the delay in charging the defendant?—The case was reported first as misconduct.
The defendant did not wish to make any statement, but asked for the case to be adjourned for to call witness.

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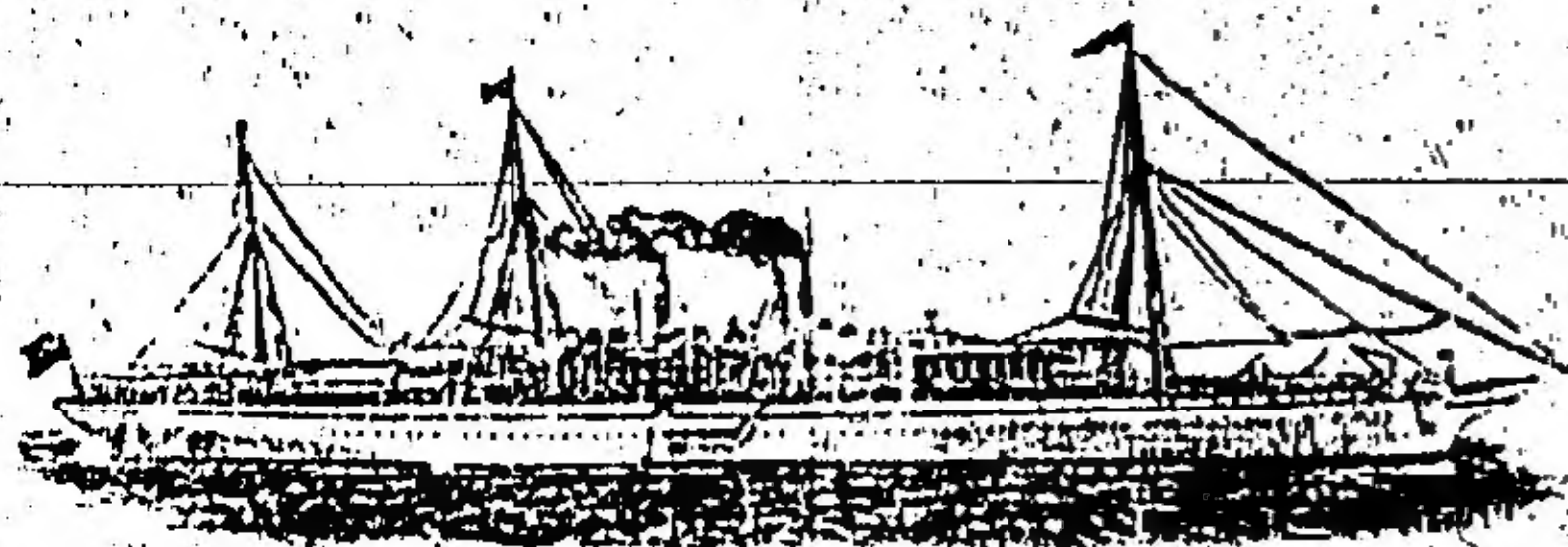
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For	Steamship	To Sail
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MANILA	"TEAN"	2nd " 4 P.M.
PAKHAI & HAIPHONG	"HUPEI"	3rd " 9 A.M.
CEBU & ILOILO	"HUICHOW"	4th " 4 P.M.
NINGPO & SHANGHAI	"OHENAY"	4th " "
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THE Company's Steamship

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Hongkong, 30th November, 1908. [1020]

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PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

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Hongkong, 24th November, 1908. [820]

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FOR LONDON, HAMBURG AND ANTWERP.

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"DENBIGHSHIRE"

will be despatched for the above Ports on SATURDAY, the 5th December, 1908.

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Hongkong, 16th December, 1908. [954]

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FOR SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE.

(Calling at Port Darwin and Queensland Ports, and taking through Cargo to Adelaide, New Zealand, Tasmania, &c.)

THE Steamship

"ALDENHAM."

Captain St. John George, will be despatched as above on THURSDAY, the 10th December, at Noon.

This well-known Steamer is specially fitted for Passengers, and has a Refrigerating Chamber which ensures the supply of Fresh Provisions, ice, &c., throughout the voyage.

The Steamer is installed throughout with the Electric Light.

A Stewardess and a duly qualified Surgeon are carried.

N.B.—To assure the additional comfort of passengers the steamers of the Company have electric fans fitted in staterooms.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, 20th November, 1908. [1006]

THE AMERICAN AND ORIENTAL LINE.

FOR BOSTON AND NEW YORK.

(With liberty to call at the Malabar Coast.)

THE Steamship

"TUDOR PRINCE."

Captain Macdonnell, will be despatched for the above Ports, on or about SATURDAY, the 13th December, 1908.

For Freight, apply to

ARNHOLD, KARBURG & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, 11th November, 1908. [981]

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Connecting at Tacoma with NORTHERN PACIFIC RAILWAY COMPANY.

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Queen's Buildings, Hongkong, 10th October, 1908. [1020]

STEAM TO CANTON.

THE New Twin Screw Steel Steamers

"KWONG TUNG"—Capt. H. W. WALKER.

"KWONG SAI"—Capt. R. S. ORWELL.

Leave Hongkong for Canton at 9 every evening, (Saturday excepted).

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These Fine New Steamers have unparalleled Accommodation for First Class Passengers, and are well equipped with Electricity, Electric Fans in First Class Cabins.

Passage Fare—Single Journey—\$4.

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YOUNG & CO., LD., SHIP CHARTERS CO., LD., No. 5, Queen's Road West, Hongkong, 1st Dec. 1908.

Shipping—Steamers.

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(Through Bills of Lading issued for BATAVIA, PERMAN GULF, CONTINENTAL AMERICAN AND SOUTH AFRICAN PORTS.)

THE Steamship

"DEVANHA."

Captain W. Hayward, R.N.R., carrying His Majesty's Mails, will be despatched from this for BOMBAY, &c., on SATURDAY, the 12th December, at Noon, taking Passengers and Cargo for the above Ports in connection with the Company's S.S. Himalaya, 7,000 tons, from Colombo, Passengers' accommodation in which vessel is secured before departure from Hongkong.

Silk and Valuable, all Cargo for France, and Tea for London (under arrangement) will be transhipped at Colombo into the Mail steamer proceeding direct to Marseilles and London, other Cargo for London, &c., will be conveyed via Bombay by the R.M.S. Arala, due in London on 23rd January, 1909.

Parcels will be received at this Office until 4 P.M. the day before sailing. The Contents and Value of all Packages are required.

For further Particulars, apply to

R. A. HEWETT, Superintendent.

Hongkong, 28th November, 1908. [1026]

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SWATOW, AMOY AND FOCHOW.

THE Company's Steamship

"HAIYANG."

Captain Hodgins, will be despatched for the above Ports, on FRIDAY, the 4th Prox., at 11 o'clock A.M.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

DOUGLAS LAFFRAIK & CO., General Managers.

Hongkong, 28th November, 1908. [1026]

Consignees.

"BEN" LINE OF STEAMERS.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

S.S. "BENMOHR," FROM LEITH, ANTWERP, LONDON AND STRAITS.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo are hereby informed that all Goods are being landed at their risk into the hazardous and/or extra hazardous Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd., whence and/or from the wharves delivery may be obtained.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 2nd prox. will be subject to rent.

All Claims against the Steamer must be presented to the Underwriter on or before the 9th prox., or they will not be recognized.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 2nd prox., at 11 A.M.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by

GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, 26th November, 1908. [1013]

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Steamer

"OCEANA," FROM BOMBAY, COLOMBO AND STRAITS.

Consignees of Cargo by the above-named vessel are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed and placed at their risk in the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company's Godowns at Kowloon, where each consignment will be sorted out mark by mark, and delivery can be obtained as soon as the Goods are landed.

This vessel brings on Cargo:—

From London, &c., via S.S. Mongolia.

From Persian Gulf, via R.I.S.N. and B. & P. S. N. Co.'s Steamers.

Optional Goods will be landed here unless instructions are given to the contrary before 6 hours.

Goods not cleared by the 2nd December, at 4 P.M., will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by me in any case whatever.

Damaged Packages must be left in the Godowns for examination by the Consignee's and the Company's representative at an appointed hour.

All Claims must be presented within ten days of the steamer's arrival here after which they cannot be recognized.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns.

R. A. HEWETT, Superintendent.

Hongkong, 26th November, 1908.

THE CHINA PROVIDENT LOAN AND MORTGAGE CO., LD.

(CAPITAL PAID UP \$1,250,000)

Loans on Mortgage of House Property, &c. Goods received on Storage.

Advances made on Merchandise.

Loans made on the Provident System. (Rates and Particulars on application.)

THE OFFICE OF TRUSTEE, EXECUTOR OF WILLS, ATTORNEY, &c., Undertaken and Resigned.

SHEWAN TOMES & CO., General Managers.

Hongkong, 1st Dec. 1908.

HONGKONG AVERAGE MARKET PRICES.

Corrected 27th November, 1908. Per 5 Mts.

BUTCHER MEAT.

Cents.

Beef—sirloin & prime cut—Moi Lung Pa 18

" Corned—Ham Ngau Yuk 18

" Roast—Shin 18

" Breast—Ngau Lam 13

" Soup—Tong Yuk 13

" Steak—Ngau Yuk Pa 18

" " Sirloin—Ngau Lau 26

" Sausages—Ngau Yuk Cheung 26

Bollock's Brains— " Know—per set 10

" Tongue—fresh—Ngau Li—each 50

" " corned—Ham Ngau Li—each 58

" Head—Ngau Tau 50

" Heart—Ngau Sum—per lb 11

" Hump—Salt—Ngau Kin 18

" Feet—Ngau Kook—each 7

" Kidneys—Ngau Yiu—each 10

" Tail—Ngau Mei—each 17

" Liver—Ngau Con—each 12

" Tripe (dressed)—Ngau To—each 7

Calves' Head and Feet—Ngau-chai-lau—hook—set \$1.00

Mutton Chop—Yeung Fai Kwai—each 22

" Leg—Yeung Pei—each 22

" Shoulder—Yeung Shan—each 20

Pigs' Chittlings—Chai cheong—per set 12

" Brains—Chai Kow—per set 11

" Feet—Chai Kook—each 11

" Fry—Chai Chak—each 15

" Head—Chai Tau—each 15

" Heart—Chai Sum—each 8

" Kidneys—Chai Yiu—pair 7

" Liver—Chai Koo—each 14

Pork Chop—Chai Fai Kwai—each 13

" Corned—Ham Chai Yuk—each 23

" Leg—Chai Pei—each 23

" Fat or Lard—Chai Yau—each 17

Sheep's Head and Feet—Yeung Tau Kook—each 50

" Heart—Yeung Sum—each 6

" Kidneys—Yeung Yiu—each 22

" Liver—Yeung Con—each 22

Sucking Pigs, To Order—Chai Chai—each 22

Snout—Beef—Sang Ngau Yau—each 24

" Mutton—Sang Yeung Yau—each 24

Veal—Ngau Chai Yuk—each 20

" Sausages—Ngau Chai Yuk Tong—each 20

POULTRY.

Chicken—Kai Chai—each 29

Capon, Large, Small—Sin Kai—each 26

Duck—Ap—each 21

Doves—Pan Kau—each 18

Eggs, Hen—Kai Tau—per doz 18

Fowls, Canton—Kai—each 30

" Hainan—Hol Nam Kai—each 26

SHARE QUOTATIONS.

Supplied by Messrs. E. S. KADOORIE & Co. Corrected to noon; later alterations given under "Commercial Intelligence," page 5.

STOCKS.	NO. OF SHARES.	VALUE.	PAID UP.	POSITION AS PER LAST REPORT.		LAST DIVIDEND.	APPROXIMATE DIVIDEND PERCENTAGE BASED ON LAST YEAR'S DIV.	CLOSING QUOTATIONS.
				REINVEST.	AT WORKING ACCOUNT.			
BANKS.								
Hongkong & Shanghai Banking Corporation	120,000.	\$125	\$125	{ \$1,500,000 \$14,000,000 \$150,000 }	\$2,005,774	{ Interim of £3 for first half year @ ex 1/9/-=\$21.942	5 1/2 %	{ \$345 buyers London £82.10 }
National Bank of China, Limited	99,925	£7	£6	{ £4,000 £150,000 }	\$20,233	\$2 (London 3/6) for 1903 .....	...	\$50
MARINE INSURANCES.								
Canton Insurance Office, Limited	10,000	\$250	\$50	{ \$1,500,000 \$327,757 \$411,950 }	none	\$24 for 1907	7 1/2 %	\$190 buyers
North China Insurance Company, Limited	10,000	£15	£5	{ £125,000 Tls. 150,000 Tls. 303,747 Tls. 118,277 }	Tls. 162,512	Final of 7/6 making 15/- for 1907	6 %	Tls. 90 buyers
Union Insurance Society of Canton, Limited	12,400	\$250	\$100	{ \$3,000,000 \$500,000 \$204,478 \$190,498 \$727,649 }	\$2,506,021	{ Final of \$25 making \$45 for 1906 and Interim of \$30 for 1907	5 1/2 %	\$1800 buyers
Yangtze Insurance Association, Limited	12,000	\$100	\$60	{ \$3,000,000 \$199,032 \$85,157 }	\$592,763	\$12 and bonus \$3 for 1906	5 %	\$160 1/2
FIRE INSURANCES.								
China Fire Insurance Company, Limited	10,000	\$100	\$30	{ \$1,000,000 \$340,097 }	\$172,433	\$6 and bonus \$2 for 1906	8 1/2 %	\$101 buyers
Hongkong Fire Insurance Company, Limited	8,000	\$250	\$50	{ \$2,000,000 \$123,502 }	\$228,027	\$27 for 1906	8 %	\$320
SHIPPING.								
China and Manila Steamship Company, Limited	30,000	\$25	\$24	{ \$7,000 }	\$1,035	\$1 for 1906 .....	...	\$14
Donghai Steamship Company, Limited	20,000	\$50	\$50	{ \$204,638 \$90,007 }	Nil.	\$2 1/2 for year ending 30.4.1906	7 1/2 %	\$33 buyers
Hongkong, Canton & Macao Steamboat Co., Ltd. ...	80,000	\$15	\$15	{ \$250,000 \$187,500 \$81,766 }	\$17,755	\$1 1/2 for first half year ending 30.6.08	7 1/2 %	\$69 buyers
Indo-China Steam Navigation Co., Ltd. (Preferred) ...	60,000	£5	£5	{ £100,000 \$17,955 }	£13,755	{ 6/- for 1907 on Preference shares only @ ex 1/9 11/16=\$5.154	5 1/2 %	{ \$37 \$17 }
Shanghai Tug and Lighter Company, Limited	200,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	{ Tls. 75,000 \$220,000 }	Tls. 14,510	Interim of Tls. 1 1/2 for account 1908	7 1/2 %	{ Tls. 44 buyers Tls. 52 sellers }
"Shell" Transport and Trading Company, Limited	2,000,000	£1	£1	{ £200,000 \$5,000 }	£63,817	{ Final of 1/- making 3/- for 1907 and in- terim of 1/- (No. 10) for a/c 1908	6 1/2 %	47/6 buyers
"Star" Ferry Company, Limited	10,000	\$10	\$10	{ \$5,000 }	\$98	{ \$1.00 for year ending 30.4.1908	4 1/2 %	\$24
Taku Tug and Lighter Company, Limited	30,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	{ Tls. 140,000 Tls. 609,955 Tls. 103,000 Tls. 110,000 Tls. 17,142 }	Tls. 6,869	Final of Tls. 2 1/2 making Tls. 5 for 1907	11 %	Tls. 45 sellers
REFINERIES.								
China Sugar Refining Company, Limited	20,000	100	100	{ \$32,538 \$250,000 }	Dr. \$279,271	\$8 for year ending 31.12.07 .....	...	\$112 1/2
Luzon Sugar Refining Company, Limited	7,000	\$100	\$100	{ \$50,000 }	Dr. \$135,338	\$3 for 1897 .....	...	\$80 sellers
Perak Sugar Cultivation Company, Limited	7,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	{ none Tls. 100,000 }	Tls. 9,173	Tls. 4 (8 %) for year ending 31.8.06 .....	...	Tls. 90 buyers
MINING.								
Chinese Engineering and Mining Company, Ltd.	100,000	£1	£1	{ £17,000 £14,189 }	£11,556	{ Final of 1/6 (coupon No. 11) for year end- ing 29.2.08	7 1/2 %	Tls. 15 1/2 buyers
Rub Australian Gold Mining Company, Limited {	150,000	£1	£1	{ £14,573 }	Dr. £2,191	No. 12 of 1/-=48 cts .....	...	\$7 1/2
DOCKS, WHARVES & GODOWNS.								
Fenwick (Geo.) & Co., Limited	18,000	\$25	\$25	{ \$53,601 }	\$3,726	\$1.75 for year ending 31.12.06 .....	...	\$ 1
Hongkong & Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd. ...	60,000	\$50	\$50	{ \$100,000 \$26,808 \$20,000 }	\$2,556	Final of \$1 1/2 making \$3 1/2 for 1907	7 1/2 %	\$45
Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Company, Ltd.	50,000	\$50	\$50	{ \$20,000 \$70,191 }	\$24,847	Interim of \$4 for account 1907	8 1/2 %	\$92 sellers
Shanghai Dock and Engineering Co., Ltd.	55,700	Tls. 100	Tls. 100	{ \$200,000 Tls. 1,000,000 }	Tls. 33,742	{ Final of Tls. 2 1/2 making in all Tls. 5 for year ending 30.4.08	6 1/2 %	Tls. 72 buyers
Shanghai and Hongkew Wharf Company, Limited ...	36,000	Tls. 100	Tls. 100	{ Tls. 607,457 Tls. 75,000 Tls. 125,000 }	Tls. 22,626	Interim of Tls. 4 for account 1908	5 1/2 %	Tls. 143 sellers
LANDS, HOTELS & BUILDINGS.								
Anglo-French Land Investment Co., Ltd.	25,000	Tls. 100	Tls. 100	{ Tls. 25,000 }	Tls. 6,531	Tls. 6 for 1907	6 %	Tls. 100
Astor House Hotel Company, Limited (Shanghai) ...	30,000	\$25	\$25	{ \$25,000 }	Dr. \$4,300	\$2 1/2 for year ending 30.6.07 .....	...	\$16
General Stores, Limited	50,193	\$15	\$15	{ \$30,000 \$1,000 }	\$9,178	\$1.20 for 1906 .....	...	\$12 buyers
Hongkong Hotel Company, Limited	12,000	\$50	\$50	{ \$31,000 \$048,975 }	\$14,639	Interim of \$3 for account 1908	7 1/2 %	\$80 buyers
Hongkong Land Investment and Agency Co., Ltd. ...	50,000	\$100	\$100	{ \$24,000 \$250,000 }	\$26,915	Interim of \$3 1/2 for account 1908	7 1/2 %	\$93 sellers
Humphreys Estate & Finance Company, Limited ...	150,000	\$10	\$10	{ \$17,195 \$50,000 }	\$4,681	70 cents for 1907	7 1/2 %	\$9 1/2
Kowloon Land and Building Company, Limited	6,000	\$50	\$50	{ \$50,000 }	\$63	\$1 1/2 for 1907	6 1/2 %	\$30 buyers
Shanghai Land Investment Company, Limited	78,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	{ Tls. 1,523,045 Tls. 170,000 }	Tls. 107,517	Interim of Tls. 3 for account 1908	7 %	Tls. 116 1/2 buyers
West Point Building Company, Limited	12,500	\$50	\$50	{ Tls. 170,000 none }	\$1,541	Interim of \$2 for account 1908	9 %	\$46
COTTON MILLS.								
Ewo Cotton Spinning and Weaving Company, Ltd. ...	15,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	{ Tls. 150,000 }	Tls. 8,807	Tls. 2 1/2 for year ending 31.10.1907	3 1/2 %	Tls. 67 sales
Hongkong Cotton Spinning, Weaving and Dyeing Company, Limited	115,000	\$10	\$10	{ Tls. 45,813 \$20,000 }	\$9,553	50 cents for year ending 31.7.08	4 1/2 %	\$10 sellers
International Cotton Manufacturing Company, Ltd. ...	10,000	Tls. 75	Tls. 75	{ Tls. 150,000 }	Tls. 85,519	Tls. 6 for year ending 30.9.06 (8 %) .....	...	Tls. 56 buyers
Loan-kung-mow Cotton Spinning & Weaving Co., Ltd.	8,000	Tls. 100	Tls. 100	{ none }	Tls. 6,308	Tls. 8 for 1906 .....	...	Tls. 72 sellers
Boy Chee Cotton Spinning Company, Limited	1,000	Tls. 500	Tls. 500	{ none Tls. 20,257 }	Tls. 50,663	Tls. 30 for 1906 .....	...	Tls. 240 buyers
MISCELLANEOUS.								
Bell's Asbestos Eastern Agency, Limited	8,604	12/6	12/6	{ none }	£68	1-10/- per share for 1907=\$1.037	12 1/2 %	\$8 buyers
China-Borneo Company, Limited	60,000	\$12	\$12	{ £1,500 \$25,000 }	Nil.	\$1.20 for 1907	12 1/2 %	\$11
China Light and Power Company, Limited	50,000	\$10	\$10	{ none }	61,133	60 cents for year ended 28.2.06 .....	...	\$5 1/2
China Provident Loan & Mortgage Company, Ltd. ...	125,000	\$10	\$10	{ none }	33,908	80 cents for 1907	8 1/2 %	\$9 1/2 buyers
Dairy Farm Company, Limited	15,000	\$7 1/2	\$6	{ \$120,000 \$10,000 }	\$48	\$1.50 for year ending 31.7.08	5 1/2 %	\$22 1/2
Green Island Cement Company, Limited	400,000	\$10	\$10	{ \$8,000 }	\$5,078	Interim of 40 cents for account 1908	10 1/2 %	\$10
H. Price & Company, Limited	12,000	\$10	\$10	{ \$12,000 }	\$251	75 cents for 9 months ending 31.12.07	8 %	\$12 buyers
Hall & Helts, Limited	21,000	\$20	\$20	{ \$5,000 }	\$6,321	\$1 for year ending 28.2.08	10 1/2 %	\$20 1/2 buyers
Hongkong Electric Company, Limited	60,000	\$10	\$10	{ \$186,000 }	\$6,321	\$1 and bonus 20 cts. for year ending 29.2.08	6 1/2 %	\$18 1/2 buyers
Hongkong Ice Company, Limited	5,000	\$25	\$25	{ none }	\$4,578	Interim of \$ 1 for account 1907	8 1/2 %	\$230 sellers
Hongkong Rope Manufacturing Company, Ltd.	60,000	\$10	\$10	{ \$20,000 }	\$8,191	Interim of \$1 for account 1908	8 %	\$24
Maatschappij tot Exploitatie van Landbouwerij op de Looi, Limited	25,000	Gs. 100	Gs. 100	{ none }	Tls. 17,187	Interim of Tls. 10 for 3rd quarter	5 1/2 %	Tls. 900 sales
Peak Tramways Company, Limited	25,000	\$10	\$10	{ Tls. 547,500 Tls. 27,003 }	\$7,471	{ 80 cents on fully paid shares and 40 cents on \$1 paid shares for year ending 30.4.08	4 1/2 %	\$14
Philippine Company, Limited	75,000	\$10	\$10	{ \$5,000 }	Nil.	None .....	...	\$8
Shanghai Gas Company, Limited	24,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	{ none }	Tls. 6,603	Final of Tls. 4 making Tls. 7 1/2 for 1907	6 1/2 %	Tls. 116 1/2
Shanghai-Sumatra Tobacco Company, Limited	30,000	Tls. 20	Tls. 20	{ Tls. 100,000 Tls. 24,800 Tls. 75,000 }	Tls. 8,493	Final of Tls. 9 making in all Tls. 14 for 1907	11 %	Tls. 129 1/2 sellers
Shanghai Waterworks Company, Limited	16,350	£20	£20	{ Tls. 190,000 }	Tls. 58,322	Final of 37/6 making 52/6 for 1907 .....	...	Tls. 410
South China Morning Post, Limited	6,000	\$25	\$25	{ none }	Dr. \$90,457	None	8 %	\$25 buyers
Steam Laundry Company, Limited	20,000	\$ 5	\$ 5	{ none }	\$230	40 cents for year ending 31.5.08	8 1/2 %	\$5
Tientsin Waterworks Company, Limited	2,000	Tls. 100	Tls. 100	{ Tls. 15,295 Tls. 4,000 }	Tls. 300	Tls. 6 1/2 for year ending 30.4.07	5 %	Tls. 94 buyers
Union Waterboat Company, Limited	50,000	\$10	\$10	{ none }	\$111	50 cents for 1907 .....	...	\$10
United Asbestos Oriental Agency, Limited	10,000	\$10	\$10	{ \$15,000 }	\$1,360	{ 80 cents on 9,000 ord. shares and \$19.80 on 100 Foundry shares for yr. end. 31.5.07 }	6 1/2 %	\$13 buyers
Watson, (A. S.) & Co., Limited	90,000	\$10	\$10	{ \$30,000 \$25,000 }	\$6,438	Interim of 30 cents a/c 1908	6 1/2 %	\$9 buyers ex
William Powell, Limited	15,000	\$7	\$7	{ none }	\$3.05	{ Final of 30 cts. making 80 cts. for the year ended 30th June, 1906 .....	...	\$4
* These shares are entitled to half of the profits								
DIVIDENDS PAYABLE:—								
Langkat							Tls. 30	December 1907
Ewo Cotton Spinning and Weaving Co.							Tls. 5	December 1907

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